


NOVEMBER 2002 EXCLUSIVELY FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the **NOVEMBER YIELD SURVEY** conducted the last week of October and the first week of November. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,



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NEW MEXICO: Corn for grain production is forecast at 6.8 million bushels unchanged from last month and is down 17 percent from a year ago. Acreage harvested for grain is forecast at 38,000 acres. Yields are expected to average 180 bushels per acre. Upland cotton producers expect to harvest 100,000 bales, also unchanged from last month, but 24,000 bales less than last year. Harvested acreage remained at 56,000 acres, 9,000 less than last year with yields expected to reach 857 pounds per acre. American Pima harvested acreage is forecast at 7,000 acres, 1,800 acres above last year. Yields are anticipated to reach 960 pounds per acre, below the record yield set last year at 969 pounds per acre. Sorghum production is forecast at 2.25 million bushels, unchanged from last month's forecast. Based on November 1 conditions, sorghum yield is forecast at 30 bushels per acre. Peanut production is estimated at 64.4 million pounds, unchanged from the October 1 forecast. Growers expect to harvest 23,000 acres, with yields expected to average 2,800 pound per acre. Fall Potato production is forecast at 1.6 million cwt., 12 percent greater than last year.

UNITED STATES: Corn for grain acreage harvested and to be harvested for grain is forecast at 70.5 million acres, unchanged from October but up 3 percent from 2001. Sorghum production is forecast at 381 million bushels, down 1 percent from last month and down 26 percent from last year. If realized, this will be the lowest production since 1956. Based on conditions as of November 1, the sorghum yield forecast is 50.7 bushels per acre, down 0.7 bushel from October and down 9.2 bushels from last year. Peanuts production is forecast at 3.51 billion pounds, down 6 percent from last month and down 18 percent from 2001. Area for harvest is expected to total 1.36 million acres, unchanged from the October estimate, but down 4 percent from 2001. Yields are expected to average 2,579 pounds, 178 pounds below last month and down 450 pounds from 2001. Upland cotton harvested area, at 12.6 million acres, is unchanged from the October estimate but 7 percent less than last year. Harvest in the Southwestern States was delayed by persistent showers and cooler than normal temperatures. New Mexico growers had to deal with above average rainfall for the month. American-Pima harvested area, at 241,400 acres, is unchanged from October but down 10 percent from 2001 harvest area. Harvest progress is behind the 5-year average. American-Pima production is forecast at 635,000 bales, unchanged from the October forecast but down 9 percent from last year. The U.S. yield is forecast at a record high 1,263 pounds per harvested acre, the same as last month. If realized, this would be 9 pounds above the previous record established in 2001. Production of fall potatoes for 2002 is forecast at 415 million cwt, up 5 percent from last year but 11 percent smaller than the record high 2000 crop. Area harvested, at 1.12 million acres, is up 4 percent from last year but 6 percent below two years ago. The average yield is forecast at 371 cwt per acre, 4 cwt above last year.

November 2002 Crop Summary: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, 2001 and Forecasted November 1, 2002

Crop	Unit	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
		2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
		-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Units-----		-----1,000 Units-----	
NEW MEXICO							
Corn for Grain	Bu	46	38	180.0	180.0	8,280	6,840
Upland Cotton ^{1/2/}	Lb	65.0	56.0	916	857	124.0	100.0
A-P Cotton ^{1/2/}	Lb	5.2	7.0	969	960	10.5	14.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu	140	75	45.0	30.0	6,300	2,250
Peanuts	Lb	22.2	23.0	3,020	2,800	67,044	64,400
Potatoes, Fall	Cwt	4.2	4.0	340	400	1,428	1,600
UNITED STATES							
Corn for Grain	Bu	68,808	70,541	138.2	127.6	9,506,840	9,003,364
Upland Cotton ^{1/2/}	Lb	13,559.5	12,620.0	694	653	19,602.4	17,180.0
A-P Cotton ^{1/2/}	Lb	268.2	241.4	1,254	1,263	700.4	635.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu	8,584	7,528	59.9	50.7	514,524	381,499
Peanuts	Lb	1,411.9	1,360.5	3,029	2,579	4,276,704	3,508,650
Potatoes, Fall	Cwt	1,222.2	1,271.1	358	362	437,888	459,734

^{1/} Production ginned and to be ginned. ^{2/} Yield reported in pounds per acre: production in bales (480 lb net wt).